GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2622
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SUBSIDY TO HAJ PILGRIMS
MOHAN RAWALE

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provide huge subsidy to Haj Pilgrims;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA)

(a) Yes Sir.

(b) & (c) Government provides subsidy to Haj pilgrims for air travel

in respect of pilgrims going through Haj Committee, Mumbai. Each pilgrim pays Rs.12,000 and the difference between the actual fare

paid to the air charter company and this amount is met by the Government to facilitate the performance of Haj.